

## SPECIFICATION AMENDMENTS

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### RELATED APPLICATION DATA

This application is a Divisional application of Copending U.S. Patent Application Serial No. 10/032,710, issued February 24, 2004 as U.S. Patent Application Serial Number 6,695,539, the disclosure of which is incorporated by reference.

### BACKGROUND OF THE INVENTION

#### 1. Field of the Invention

The present invention relates to apparatus and methods for remotely installing vortex-induced vibration (VIV) and drag reduction devices on structures in flowing fluid environments. In another aspect, the present invention relates to apparatus and methods for installing VIV and drag reduction devices on underwater structures using equipment that can be remotely operated from above the surface of the water. In even another aspect, the present invention relates to apparatus and methods for remotely installing VIV and drag reduction devices on structures in an atmospheric environment using equipment that can be operated from the surface of the ground.